

# NEWS OF INDIANA and MICHIGAN

## PLAN FOR IMMENSE DRAINAGE PROJECT

Laporte County Land Owner Behind Movement to Reclaim Kankakee Marshes.

LAPORTE, Ind., July 2.—A drainage ditch that will cost half a million dollars, and will traverse four counties—Laporte, St. Joseph, Starke and Marshall—will probably be undertaken soon, according to the report of the commissioners, Thomas Conroy, Edward O. Crat and Harry M. Miles, filed in the Laporte circuit court through Hickey and Wolfe, attorneys.

The ditch is the largest project of its kind ever undertaken in northern Indiana, it is believed, and it will reclaim tens of thousands of acres of marsh lands along the Kankakee river. The ditch, with its arms, will total 100 miles.

The project was started by Dixon W. Place, a heavy landowner. The commissioners reported that benefits from the ditch will exceed the cost, which is estimated at \$450,000, and that the drainage will improve public health. It is expected there will be a fight on the project, as some of the property owners are objecting to the assessments, but the promoters of the project are confident the court will order the construction of the ditch.

## BEES SWARM ON AUTO

Man Increases Speed in Vain to Get Away From Insects.

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., July 2.—Charles O. Webb, a wealthy farmer of Hamilton county, had an unusual experience while driving to Noblesville in his automobile. He was accompanied by his wife and son, and for half a mile they were followed by a swarm of bees. The swarm was large enough to make a good-sized shadow.

When Mr. Webb increased the speed of his car to 35 miles an hour for the purpose of outdistancing the bees they flew faster and kept pace with him. He could devise no way of getting out of their way and he was afraid they would settle on his car and sting himself and family to death. Finally, seeing that the attempt to run them was fruitless, he brought his automobile to a standstill, thinking that perhaps the bees would continue on their journey.

The bees also stopped and alighted on the car, literally covering it. If the family had left the machine the disturbance would have aroused the anger of the swarm, so Mr. and Mrs. Webb and son remained perfectly still, watching developments. In a few minutes the bees were away and swarmed in a woods half a mile distant. Not a member of the Webb family was stung.

## WILL HOLD REUNION

Students of Old Methodist College Will Gather at Lafayette.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., July 2.—More than half a century ago the Battle Ground Collegiate institute, at Battle Ground, was one of the leading Methodist educational institutions of Indiana, but today nothing remains of the institution but a single brick building, which has been converted into a hotel for the camp meeting grounds. In the fifties and sixties many of Indiana's leading men received their education at the institute, and for many years they have failed to keep track of one another. This year a reunion is being planned to bring together the old college students, now all men and women in their seventies and eighties. It is expected that 100 of them will attend the reunion on Aug. 11. Prof. E. H. Staley of Frankfort, 30 years old, was a professor at the institute and is the sole survivor of the faculty. He will attend the meeting.

## OLD SWEETHEARTS WED

Marriage is Culmination of Romance Begun 40 Years Ago.

ELKHART, Ind., July 2.—The marriage of John C. Stuck, 71 years old, and Mrs. Angelina Cherry Birch of Kokomo, at Kokomo, Tuesday, was the culmination of a romance begun more than 40 years ago, before the first marriage of either of the principals.

When, years ago, Mr. Stuck came here from Coldwater to take a position in the Lake Shore foundry, he became devoted to Miss Cherry, but their friendship was interrupted when she returned to her former home in Ohio for an extended stay, and the years brought other interests in the lives of both.

Mr. Stuck is one of the representative citizens of Elkhart. He has been a successful founder and has acquired a comfortable fortune.

## SLIP FROM RAFT; DROWN

Children Fall Into Water 15 Feet Deep—Older Brother Saved.

PONTIAC, Mich., July 2.—While playing on a large raft in a pond in the Pearce gravel pit this afternoon, Steven Borski, seven years old, and Tony Grumet, 10 years old, slipped into the water 15 feet deep, and were drowned.

Chris Borski, older brother of one of the victims, was saved by Rudolph Michels, 15 years old, who had been swimming in the pond and was dressing when he heard the cries of the three. He sprang in and dragged out one boy, but the other two had gone down when he returned. Both bodies were recovered.

## SAGINAW MEN BUY PAPER

Will Combine Gazette and Free Press at Green Bay, Wis.

SAGINAW, July 2.—Victor L. Minahan, John K. Kline and Andrew Turnbull, formerly of the Saginaw Daily News, have purchased the Gazette and Free Press at Green Bay, Wis., and will issue there under the name of the Green Bay Press-Gazette, an evening paper.

## WOMAN AVIATOR WILL BE FEATURE AT EXPOSITION

Other Thrilling Attractions Scheduled for Indiana State Fair to be Held Sept. 6 to 10.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 2.—Aviation feats will be one of the thrilling attractions at the Indiana State fair, Sept. 6 to 10, this year.

Miss Ruth Law, one of the two women aviators holding licenses from the Aero Club of America, has been engaged by the state board of agriculture to give a daily performance. Miss Law has a national reputation. She has agreed to rise to heights of more than 4,000 feet and while at this height to perform many of the feats which have startled thousands. Another feature she has promised is that of taking George Maryland as a passenger to a height of 2,000 feet and dropping him in a parachute.

Another feature added to the program by the board is the engagement of Miss Helen Warrum to sing each night at the horse show. Other music at the horse show is to be furnished by the Weber band.

The prize money for exhibitors will total \$71,507. The board has added a special purse of \$1,000 for five-gaited-saddle horses and it is expected to bring out the best saddle horses in the country. Other horse show prizes are those amounting to \$2,575 to be given for saddle horses and \$3,320 for other exhibitors.

The prize list shows an aggregate of \$43,134 to be given to exhibitors of horses alone. This is in addition to the horse show prizes. In the cat department the total prizes amount to \$10,877; in the sheep department the purse amount to \$3,447; in the swine department \$4,051 and in the poultry department, \$2,354. The board has arranged for other prizes amounting to \$1,806 for exhibitors in the agricultural department; \$2,593 in horticultural and \$1,792 in the fine arts.

## "BACK TO INDIANA IN 1916" IS NEW SLOGAN

Historical Commission Desires to Make Celebration Big Event.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 2.—"Back to Indiana in 1916" is the slogan adopted by the Indiana historical commission in anticipation of next year's centennial celebration. Indiana of the present are to reach out hands in "welcome home" to the Indians of the past, scattered as they are from Atlantic to Pacific.

Far and near, in other states, are to be found enthusiastic Indiana societies, through which the commission intends to make a general appeal to "come back." Once a Hoosier away from home, and thousands of self-exiled, expatriated Indians are expected to come trooping homeward, exclaiming with the Hoosier bard:

"We must get home—for we have been away  
So long; it seems forever and a day!"

While the commission extends a formal semi-official invitation, the effective invitation will be extended by the citizens individually. The old latch string will hang out at every home. Indians traveling beyond the confines of the state will act as ambassadors of Hoosier hospitality, calling the prodigals homeward where "The moonlight fair tonight along the Wabash."

The commission constitutes every citizen of the state a committee of one on invitation, "Back to Indiana in 1916."

## GARY SOCIETY ASTIR

Women Are Feeling Strain of Going Without Vacation.

GARY, Ind., July 2.—While in other cities society has already left for its summer vacation, Gary society women are in the midst of a "mad whirl" which threatens to cause disruption in many homes unless there is an abatement in bridge parties, entertainments, receptions and church socials. So numerous have these affairs become that invitations are being issued weeks in advance so that Mrs. Jones' party will not conflict with Mrs. Smith's, and Mrs. White will not feel slighted if Mrs. Brown attends Mrs. Jones' bridge luncheon and not hers. Poor, tired out Gary society women threaten to go on strike if there is not some relief soon.

## STATE NEEDS ADVANCE

Has Asked For First Time In 18 Years That Counties Pay Dues.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 2.—For the first time in 18 years the state of Indiana has not been compelled to make an advancement pay call on county treasurers for money due the state in the month of May. Dale J. Critterberger, auditor of state, said today the state has enough money to operate during July and August without an advance payment from the counties. It is not certain, however, that another temporary loan may not have to be made from Oct. 1 to Dec. 1.

The auditor has just paid off a \$10,000 loan negotiated earlier in the year, the total interest on which was \$2,538.

## JITNEYS ARE FORCED OUT

No Business in Grand Rapids, Where Stringent Ordinance Is Passed.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., July 2.—For the first time in several months this city is without the operating jitney bus.

The owners who opposed the order by the city council decided to suspend operation until they could be heard in court as to the constitutionality of the ordinance which went into effect Thursday morning.

They allege the terms of the ordinance are too stringent and that it would be impossible for them to operate at a profit under its regulations.

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## MAN KILLED WHEN AUTO TOPPLES OVER

Charles Callahan is Crushed Under Machine, But Two Girls Escape.

ELKHART, Ind., July 2.—Charles Callahan, a well to do farmer whose home is near Scott, Ind., six miles southeast of White Pigeon, was killed in an automobile accident just outside White Pigeon Wednesday night.

He and two neighbor girls, Belle Martin, 16, and Mildred Foreman, 14, were driving toward Scott after having listened to a band concert at White Pigeon. The machine tipped over and Mr. Callahan was caught by the steering gear and crushed to death instantly.

The girls escaped with minor bruises. They were in the back seat. Mr. Callahan, who was a widower, is survived by a daughter, Mrs. J. M. Barton of Sturgis, and a son, R. E. Callahan of Detroit.

Mayor Thompson of Chicago will open the Elkhart chautauqua assembly on July 31 if the present plans of the chautauqua board are carried out. At a meeting of the board Mayor F. E. Smith was delegated to carry an invitation to Mayor Thompson and the mission was accepted with enthusiasm.

Separated more than 50 years ago when the struggle between the north and the south was at its height, a sister and a brother were united by chance in Elkhart Wednesday.

Joseph Graham, who is extremely feeble at the age of 80 years and who, since coming to Elkhart from Bryan, O., several months ago, has been making his home with his nephew, David Walden, joyously embraced his half-sister, Mrs. Sarah Tompkins, who lives at 811 Willowdale av. The last previous time he had kissed her was when he was a stalwart young soldier of 28 and she a girl of 11. That was at Angola, Ind., just before Graham entered the ranks of the union army.

Mrs. Florence Van Arsdol of Fairmount, Ind., has won one more victory in her legal battle to establish herself as the heir to a \$15,000 estate left by Peter Arsdol, who, at the time he was killed in a railroad wreck at Marion, O., in 1906, was supposed to be an old bachelor. Anderson lived here at one time and was employed by the C. & N. W. Ry. Co. The late Norman Beckley was its general manager. His brother, John Anderson, lives at 820 Mason st.

Judge S. E. Cook of the Huntington court Wednesday overruled a motion on the part of attorneys for the administrator of the estate for a new trial, after hearing alleged new evidence. At the original trial Judge Cook held that Mrs. Van Arsdol had established herself as the daughter of Peter Anderson.

That the county board of tax review is at present handling a situation unprecedented in the history of the county is the assertion of L. A. Dennett, a member of the board, who, however, declared Thursday morning there was every indication of an amicable and fair adjustment of all claims.

"Even the most cynical taxpayer can't imagine what we have been up against in Concord township," said Mr. Dennett. "We heard that members have literally been hounded to death with complaints from every nook and corner of the township. When we get through by the end of this week or the first part of next we will have given every complaint individual consideration and we hope that everybody will be satisfied."

## NEWLYWEDS IN TROUBLE

Bridegroom is Robbed as He Starts Forth on Honeymoon.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., July 2.—A young married couple that left Terre Haute yesterday on a western trip had an experience that are not likely to be forgotten soon. William Vonder, a member of the fire department, and Miss Lorene Hurst, were married and left on the Big Four for a trip to points in the west by way of St. Louis. A party of their friends accompanied them to the station, with the usual parting salutation of rice, etc. While they were attempting to escape the rice and old shoes they were jostled by two strangers, but in the excitement they paid no attention to the matter.

When the conductor in his rounds called on the bridegroom for his tickets the young man found that his pockets had been rifled of his railroad tickets and all his cash to the amount of \$200. They were compelled to leave the train at Paris, from which point the bridegroom telephoned to his father, John C. Vonder, a south side grocer, who sent another son over to Paris on an interurban with the necessary money.

## TO HAVE RACES AT NILES

City Spares No Expense to Make Fourth Celebration Success.

NILES, Mich., July 2.—Automobile, motorcycle and horse racing will feature the day's program in this city on July 5. The men in charge of the day's events have spared no expense to make the celebration one of the largest in southwestern Michigan. There will be several free attractions, besides roller skating and dancing in the evening.

## PLAN HUGE SHAM BATTLE

Benton Harbor Chamber of Commerce Plans Events for Fourth.

BENTON HARBOR, Mich., July 2.—The Benton Harbor chamber of Commerce is leading in the plans for one of the most inspiring Fourth of July celebrations ever held in this city. The plans have been completed for a sham battle, military band concert, patriotic addresses and an assembly of patriotic orders and lodges. Special interurban car service has been provided to all points in northern Indiana and Michigan. The celebration is being planned for Monday.

## SPECIAL SESSION HINTED

Gov. Ferris Intimates Legislature May Take up Aid For Illiterates.

MENOMINEE, Mich., July 2.—That he might call a special session of the legislature to consider legislation to aid the \$6,000 illiterates in the state was the hint dropped yesterday by Gov. Ferris in his remarks at the dedication of the \$15,000 high school at Stephenson, Menominee county.

"All schools of the state should be kept open 12 months in the year and night classes should be started at once for parents and other adults," said the governor.

The parade that welcomed the governor included 100 auto owners from Delta and Menominee counties. Former students of the Ferris institute gave a banquet tonight in honor of the chief executive who sacrificed his own commencement to come to Menominee county.

## ONE TIME SLAVE DEAD

"Shorty" Williams Spent Most of Life on Virginia Plantation.

OLIVET, July 2.—"Shorty" Williams, for 20 years of his life a slave on a Virginia plantation, and one of the oddest characters in Michigan, is dead at his home near this village. He was almost 80 years old.

There will be less interest hereafter in the study of American history at Olivet college because of "Shorty's" death, for every year at the point in the history where the incidents of the "Civil war" were being discussed, the old negro was brought before the class to relate his experiences in the great war and to tell of the old slave days before the great conflict was begun.

## GIRL COMMITS SUICIDE

Almont Disappearance Mystery Solved When Body is Found in Field.

ALMONT, Mich., July 2.—Six weeks ago 20-year-old Anna Hagameister, for a year a resident of Almont, formerly of Leonard, disappeared. Her body was found in a cow pasture two miles from here Tuesday and with it a note to "the men who had understood."

## BRIEFS.

PRINCETON.—Elisha Humphreys, 18 years old, died yesterday from eating green apples. He went to work on his uncle's farm and there ate so many unripe apples that death resulted a few hours after he became ill.

FORT WAYNE.—When the milk depot for the aid of sick babies was opened under the support of the First Presbyterian church it was discovered that there were no sick babies in the city and were in need of aid. The depot will be run during the hot weather.

VALPARAISO.—It is said on good authority that the interurban wage agreement expiring today will be renewed at 25 cents an hour for nine hours a day. The agreement effects conductors and motormen.

ROCHESTER.—Freshly cut hay stored in the barn on the Tom McMahon farm caused a fire which resulted in \$1,500 loss.

PRINCETON.—This city will make a strong effort to secure the 1916 convention of the Indiana rural mail carriers who meet at South Bend Saturday.

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and her two daughters, who were overcome by gas when her husband asphyxiated a son and himself, are now out of danger. Mrs. Gooley is firm in her declaration that the husband intended to take only his own life. It was believed that before turning on the gas, Gooley had removed two pet canaries, of which he was particularly fond, from the kitchen to the woodshed out of danger.

LANSING.—Pardon board records show that 718 paroles were issued during the last year out of 1,339 cases considered by the pardon board.

JACKSON.—Asa Greenman, paroled from Jackson prison in April, will be returned for parole violation as soon as he has completed a 10-day sentence at Grand Rapids.

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automobile. The machine ran over him.

HILLSDALE.—The sixth annual session of Camp Roberts of the Hillsdale county Y. M. C. A. closed its 19 days' vacation at Hemlock lake, June 30. About 60 boys and leaders attended.

HASTINGS.—George Burgess has been appointed special commissioner for the Thornapple drain. County Drain Commissioner S. S. England is disqualified because he owns property in the drainage district. The drain is expected to reclaim 5,000 acres.

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24-inch Matting Suit Case \$3.50—Cretone lined. Sewed leather corners. 6 1/4 inches deep. Pockets.

24-inch Pith Cane Suit Case \$5.00—Cretone lined. Shellac finish.

18-inch Matting Traveling Bag \$2.75—Reinforced corners. Five piece style.

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17-inch Keratol Bags \$1.75, \$2.50 and \$3.00—In imitation Walrus and Seal finish. Three piece bags. Lined. Brass fittings. Reinforced corners.

## July Clearance Sale—Now in Progress

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